

## AGREEMENT NEAR ON FRANCO-HUN BORDER IN PEACE CONFERENCE

Political Control of German Coal Fields May Be Turned Over

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The proposal was advanced as concerning the Saar region only, but it is regarded as equally applicable to the left bank of the Rhine as a possible basis of agreement.

PARIS, April 1 (By the Associated Press).—A new phase of the question of reparation by the council of four, is presented in a proposal to avoid stating in the treaty and specific total and thus escape controversy over the largeness or smallness of the amount. It is said that this is possible by defining the character of the payments over a period of years, without precisely defining what the total would reach, and efforts are being made to find a formula which would express this idea.

It is understood that the plan is considered advantageous chiefly for friendly countries, where expectations have been aroused of a total much larger than is likely to be allowed.

The impression is gaining that a formula will be found covering reparation without naming a figure, the suggestion being made of a commission to determine the losses of the different countries.

Marshal Foch attended today's early session of the council before leaving for Spa to meet the German plenipotentiary regarding landing of Polish troops at Danzig.

The foreign ministers met today and disapproved proposal of George Nicholls Barnes, the British delegate, for a plenary meeting of the conference on Saturday.

King Albert of Belgium, who arrived today, will probably see President Wilson regarding Belgian interests.

Most of the day the council meeting was given over to the matters of the Rhine frontier and reparations, but the questions of the responsibility of the former emperor and others for the war was touched on for the first time. The chief remaining details of the reparations question involved the points whether French and British nations will be included and whether the specific amount demanded will be named in the treaty. Indications from one source are that the total will amount to between \$20,000,000,000 and \$25,000,000,000.

BERLIN, Monday, March 31 (By the Associated Press).—The German armistice commission held a meeting here today to discuss finally export questions in relation to the importation of food. The meeting took up the last two allied notes concerning the embargo list, the partial limitation of the black list and the question of exports of all kinds, including wood, sugar, paper and coal.

PARIS, April 1.—The council of foreign ministers this afternoon received the report of the peace conference commission on Czech-Slovak territorial claims and discussed the advisability of holding a plenary session for a discussion of the report of international labor legislation.

The foreign ministers also considered the question of holding business sessions at Versailles when the German delegates arrive there.

PARIS, April 1.—An agreement on at least one point seems to have been reached in peace conference discussions according to the Temps. Germany is not to be permitted to keep garrisons, fortifications, or war factories, not only on the left bank of the Rhine but also along a strip of at thirty miles of the right bank.

PARIS, April 1.—A statement issued by the official press bureau says: "A meeting at which Mr. Lansing, Mr. Balfour, M. Pichon, Baron Sonnino and Baron Makino were present, was held today at the Quai d'Orsay from 3 to 5:30 o'clock.

"The conclusions of the commission on Czech-Slovak affairs were examined."

## SOUTH AFRICA SENDS DELEGATES TO PARIS

NEW YORK, April 1.—On their way to England and France to lay before the British government and the peace conference the claims of the national party of South Africa for self-determination and complete independence, a delegation headed by General J. B. M. Hertzog, and consisting of nine members, arrived here today from Capetown on board the Dutch steamship Bevan.

## NO PHONE COST RAISE DECLARES BURELSON

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Postmaster General Burelson said today that no blanket increase in telephone rates similar to the advance ordered recently in telephone rates was contemplated. Any changes to be made in telephone tolls, he said, would be made for local communities governed by local conditions.

## Palmer Is Real Fighter Take Look At His Jaw

New Attorney General Jack-of-All-Trades, and Success at All

WASHINGTON, April 1.—There's plenty of fighting fiber in A. Mitchell Palmer, new attorney general of the United States. This despite his Quaker ancestry. He has what they call a "fighting jaw." However, Palmer wouldn't think of it as "fighting fiber." He sees it as "determination, perseverance, bulldog, hang-to-itiveness."

Palmer has disproved the charge that a "jack of all trades is master of none." For he is a good lawyer, one of the best in Pennsylvania; a successful business man; a prosperous newspaper publisher, and the greatest finder of enemy property any belligerent in the late war possessed.

It was as alien custodian that Palmer achieved his widest acquaintance and largest share of publicity. He took anything which bore the German or Austrian label of ownership, from a twopenny fund to hundred million dollar steamship lines. German-owned stocks and bonds were uncovered, transferred to Palmer's safekeeping and were turned into Liberty bonds to help fight the Kaiser.

One of the least popular Americans in German eyes is A. Mitchell Palmer.

"A" for Alexander That "A" stands for Alexander, long shelved. Mitchell is what they call him. A. Mitchell is the way he signs it. He was born at Moonstown, Pa., son of Quakers, May 4, 1872, and was graduated from Swarthmore college before he was 21, and was a member of the bar when he cast his first vote. In 1898 he married Miss Roberts Bartlett Dixon of Easton, Md., and thereafter acquired considerable ownership in a bank, trust company, boiler works, newspapers, gas and water concerns.

Politics beckoned in 1908 and A. Mitchell Palmer became one of the few democrats Pennsylvania elected to congress, serving three terms. He retired from legislative halls to be judge of the United States court of claims. Judging lasted him six months and he quit the bench.

When the "trading with the enemy" act was passed, President Wilson named Palmer as custodian. From then on he became the greatest grabber of German property in this country you ever dreamed of. Which helped Uncle Sam and hurt old Bill Hohenzollern.

Is Democrat But a good grabber of German gold might not make a good attorney general. Possibly being a successful publisher, banker, boiler-maker, gas dealer or congressman would not indicate that the new attorney general will deliver as an attorney general. Washington, who knows Palmer better than the folks at his hometown, Stroudsburg, Pa., know him, believes he will come across as attorney general.

Some wise students of men and attorney generals of the past think Palmer will get right up in the front rank of American attorney generals. They point to his knowledge of law, his ability to practice law—and to his fighting jaw. They have the hunch that A. Mitchell will turn out a job of attorney-general as pleasing to the law-abiding citizens as it will prove displeasing to the law side-steppers.

Palmer has been classed as a Progressive Democrat.

A. Mitchell Palmer, Recently Named Attorney General by President Wilson



## BASEBALL ANTI-TRUST SUIT NEARLY ENDED

Early Adjudgment of Court Prevents Completion of Plaintiff's Case

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Early adjudgment of the District of Columbia supreme court, which is hearing evidence in the \$900,000 damage suit of the Baltimore Federal league club, to allow witnesses to return to Baltimore to vote in a city primary prevented conclusion today of the plaintiff's case. Counsel for the club said tonight that little additional evidence would be offered by them and resting of plaintiff's case tomorrow it is expected attorneys for organized baseball will submit a motion asking for a directed verdict of the jury in its favor from the court.

Considerable documentary evidence designed to prove organized baseball a monopoly within the meaning of the Sherman anti-trust law was introduced today by the plaintiffs. Contracts of the National league with the Western Union Telegraph company and with a baseball supply company, which the Baltimore club alleged showed that the National league enjoyed special privileges were inserted in the court records. The annual report of the national baseball commission for 1916 and 1917 also was read into the record.

## LT. COL. ROOSEVELT, LIKE FATHER, CASTS HIS "HAT IN RING"

Son of Late Ex-President Announces Intention of Entering Politics

NEW YORK, April 1.—Lieutenant Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, who has been discussed by republican party leaders in this city as a possible candidate for the president of the board of alderman next fall, announced today that he intended to follow the footsteps of his father and enter politics.

He declined to state, however, whether the aldermanic berth would prove acceptable to him, in case he received a formal invitation to run for that office, asserting that it was too soon for him to pick his initial goal. He added that he was announcing his "hat was in the ring" only because he intended to retire from business and considered some explanation necessary. His present activities, he said, were confined to organization in this country of the world war veterans' association.

In making known his intention to retire from business, Lieutenant Colonel Roosevelt said he desired to devote himself "to public life," by which he said he meant "entering politics."

Of his aspirations he said: "They depend on what the public wishes me to do. I naturally am anxious to do what work I may be called upon to do in my own state—in the state in which my father was born, and where we have always lived. Beyond that I don't see what I can say."

"I believe strongly in the principles of my father. I believe strongly in the principles of universal military service, and I believe strongly in undiluted nationalism."

The business from which Colonel Roosevelt purposes to retire, is banking, for, after having been discharged from the service, he returned to a Wall street office with which he was associated before being appointed a major of infantry in the officers' reserve corps by President Wilson in 1917. Previously he had been connected with the Hartford Carpet corporation of Thompsonville, Conn., whence he went after being graduated from Harvard in 1908.

## FORTUNE TELLER IN OHIO HELPED SALES OF ARIZONA STOCKS

TUCSON, April 1.—Violation of the "Blue Sky" law of Ohio by the sales of stock of the Arizona-Tonopah Mining & Milling company, a company incorporated under the laws of Arizona, and owned principally by Los Angeles people, without having complied with the prerequisite of obtaining a permit from the department of securities of the state of Ohio, is charged in the prosecution of two salesmen alleged to have been in the employ of the general manager of the company, George Ankers.

The salesmen are residents of Springfield, and have been held to the preliminary hearing of the case under bond of \$1000 each, the preliminary hearing being set for March 20, before a justice of the peace in Springfield. They were arrested on affidavits filed by Charles E. Gaurer, examiner of the Ohio department of securities, the evidence having been gathered by an agent of the state department.

Story of Stock Deals In a story of the arrest of the two men, the Springfield (O.) Daily News says:

"In speaking of the matter, Examiner Gaurer said that George Ankers, general manager of the company, who is now located in Los Angeles, was in Springfield for several months, and that after his departure from here, Stuckey (one of the salesmen under arrest) who is now employed by a local manufacturing plant, acted as chief agent in selling stocks. Mr. Gaurer says that a number of other persons also sold stock, and that approximately \$60,000 was sold in Springfield, the majority of it being placed among residents of Lagonda section. Mr. Gaurer charges that the defendants violated the Blue Sky law in that they were not licensed to do business in Ohio, the stock not having been certified.

Seek Fortune Teller "Examiner Gaurer said that the department is making an endeavor to secure a Mrs. Emma Wright, formerly of Logan, Ohio, as a witness.

"While in this city Mr. Gaurer says she was known as Countess Mirafiori and had a fortune-telling establishment. He says she appeared here about the same time Ankers came on the scene and that she departed soon after he left.

"Mr. Gaurer says that persons who were lukewarm about purchasing stock were advised to consult the fortune teller with the result that they were advised to make purchases."

Affidavit Charges Ankers According to the Springfield paper, an affidavit has been prepared, but not signed, charging Ankers himself with selling \$800 worth of the stock of the Arizona-Tonopah Mining &

## Tennis Champ Nearly Beaten By 'Dark Horse'

Indoor Title-Holder Forced to 30 Set Match by New Jersey Boy

NEW YORK, April 1.—S. H. Vosshell, the "playing through" champion, had a narrow escape from defeat in the national indoor tennis championship at the Seventh regiment armory today when Gerald Emerson, the New Jersey junior, gave him a taste of speech that nearly swept him off the court. Emerson, however, played himself out by his furious volleying, and he was defeated, 16-14, 6-0.

Peter Ball, of Yale, created a sensation by defeating G. C. Shafer, Philadelphia, 6-4, 5-3.

W. T. Tilden second, Philadelphia, and Vincent Richards, won their matches in the singles and also won easily in the doubles, which started today with 22 pairs.

Milling company to a Springfield doctor, without having a license to do so.

The property of the Arizona-Tonopah Mining & Milling company is located in this county, about ten miles from Tucson, and is being developed by a small force of miners. Ankers was in Tucson several months ago and was interviewed by a Star reporter on the development work at the mine and a double-compartment shaft is being sunk, it is said.

Ankers' headquarters were at Los Angeles, development work at the fishment located in Columbia street mine being in charge of a superintendent.

WOMEN BOWLERS COMPETE.

TOLEDO, April 1.—The third annual tournament of the women's national bowling association opened here tonight with 24 teams operating with a total of 2,436.

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## SENSATIONAL MATCH MARKS LAST DAY OF BOWLING CONGRESS

287 Rolled in One Game by Chicago Man, Giving Him Tie for Third Place

(By Review Learned Wire) TOLEDO, April 1.—The last day of the American Bowling congress tournament saw a bowler roll a 690 individual score and go into a tie with two other men for third place in the standings.

J. Rivest of Chicago was the bowler and his three game total put him even with D. Devito of Chicago and Mort Lindsey of New Haven. Rivest tried for a perfect score but after making

ten strikes and sparing he missed the head pin and ended up with a 287. His other games were 194 and 210.

It was the only change in the standings for the last several days and the only score of any account during the last hour of the tournament.

The best score of the day was in the doubles, 1218 being rolled by W. Hess and J. Rehor of Cleveland. C. Kinsley and M. Hoffman of Buffalo were second, with 1170 and E. Jantz and V. Smithfield of Cleveland, third with 1168.

John (Count) Gengler, who represented Illinois yesterday, came back today and bowled his minor events. Gengler was paired with Rivest and their score was 1195. Gengler's share of the total was 625. In his singles Gengler collected 593. On Sunday night with the Bud Howe five of Chicago, Gengler totaled 535 which gave him 1753 for the all-events, far out-side the money.

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## Late News Bulletins

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through the draft, Mr. Burleson said, and many others were attracted to industries paying higher salaries than the postal service. This, he said, resulted in a natural lowering of the high standard of efficiency previously maintained.

NORFOLK, Va., April 1.—Eleven persons including Capt. and Mrs. Miguel Ampare and their three children were drowned in the foundering of the Cuban schooner Lucia Saturday 400 miles off the North Carolina coast, according to wireless reports received tonight from the U. S. S. Lake Larga, which was bringing the only survivor of the Lucia to port.

PARIS, April 1.—(By the Associated Press).—It was stated authoritatively tonight after the meetings between President Wilson and the premiers that the prospects for an accord were more hopeful.

Distinct progress was made at the morning and afternoon sessions particularly regarding the Saar valley. The indications are that the French will get coal from the Saar valley, which will be charged against their share in the reparations. There was some discussion of the advisability of leaving the eventual disposition of the Saar valley to a plebiscite.

BARTIMORE, April 1.—George Weems, Williams defeated Mayor James H. Preston for the nomination for mayor in a contested democratic primary election today. Mayor Preston sought renomination for a third term. The vote was Williams 24,428, Preston 20,557. Preston's running mates, J. Barry Mahool, for president second branch council, and James E.

Thriff, for comptroller, were defeated by still greater majorities mainly because they refused to declare their position on the prohibition question. Every candidate for nomination for city offices and councils with two or three exceptions, who did not declare himself "wet" was defeated. William F. Broome, republican candidate for mayor, had no opposition. The city election will be held May 6.

## VOTING RIGHTS IN JAPAN EXTENDED BY PROPOSED NEW LAW

TOKIO, Feb. 26 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—A revised election law, having been approved by the privy council has been introduced in the house of representatives. Mr. Tokunami, the home minister, introduced the bill with an explanation that the government's motive in doing so was to meet the altered conditions of the times as well as the nation's advancement in political thought.

Public interest in the bill centers in the clause extending the franchise. The number of voters under the existing law is 1,460,000 or 2.6 per cent. of the total population, the minimum tax requirement being \$5. The present bill would give the vote to 2,800,000 persons with the payment of at least \$1.50 in taxes as the standard.

The proposed new law also provides smaller electoral districts by the use of which the government hopes to reduce the election expenses incurred by candidates.

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